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Sir:

Responsive to the attached copy of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" ("Notice") mailed September 26, 2001, Applicant submits herewith a signed Declaration. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that a filing date of August 27, 2001, be granted to this application.

A Preliminary Amendment enclosing an Abstract of the Disclosure, also required by the Notice, is filed herewith.

In the Notice it was also stated that the specification contains drawings or flow diagrams and that formal drawings should be submitted. Applicant respectfully submits that the application contains no drawings or flow diagrams; thus no formal drawings are submitted. If the Patent Office can identify such drawings or flow diagrams in the application, Applicant would appreciate a telephone call to the undersigned Counsel to discuss and resolve this matter.

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- The specification contains drawings or flow diagrams (37 CFR 1.58(a)). Formal drawings in accordance with 37 CFR 1.81 should be submitted.
- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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